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- The Soviets have established a new border observation point at Istisuchai, which is just west of Alashah (Alachai?).
- 2. A new Soviet logging enterprise employing more than 100 workers has been established at Shuvi (not located). The soldiers who were formerly stationed there are reported to have moved to Goldaneh (not located).
- 3. On about 13 March 1951, a considerable number of civilians were sent to Lenkoran from the Astara area. The following are local rumors about them:
  - a. They are from the ranks of the Azerbaidzhan Democrats.
  - o. They will begin work on a new rail spur from Zavand to Namin.
- 4. Mayors of frontier Soviet villages in the Astara area have been instructed to hold weekly assemblies and political indoctrination classes. All mayors were ordered to brief the populace to stop all strangers in the area or to report their presence to the nearest frontier post.
- Soviet posts in the Astara area have doubled their number of patrols from two to four.

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